

Methodist Episcopal Church (situated at the corner of Pine and Franklin streets) were at religious services yesterday morning, a crowd of men placed an American flag over the entrance way, that is, they suspended the flag from the gate of Pine street to a tree near by, and as the congregation came out they passed under the flag. The crowd of persons who placed it there remained to see what effect it would have, but it failed to elicit any remark or action on the part of the church members, and consequently a difficulty, if any was looked for was avoided.

Telegraphic News.

Steamer Alabama—From Roanoke Island—Loss of the Steamer Swan.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Advices received here state that the Alabama sailed from Kingston, on the night of the 25th ultimo.

News from Roanoke Island states that the Confederates have a hundred and twenty-five small boats secreted in the Bayous of Tyrell and Hyde counties, and that they expect to cross to that island, and capture the garrison stationed there.

The steamer Swan, from Kingston for New Orleans, has been lost with seventeen of her crew and passengers.

In M. Mercier's letter to the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, under date of November 21st, he says:

"The Cabinet at Washington is now meditating a new project, which it hopes will prove at the same time a powerful means of coercion. The idea is, to seize the cotton, rice, tobacco and sugar on all the plantations that come within the reach of the Federal forces, to send these staples to the principal Northern markets, where they are to be sold, and their value returned to those owners who would consent to take the oath of allegiance to the Union. This scheme being at variance with existing engagements, in virtue of which neutrals were not to be trammelled in the exportation of any cotton they might get possession of, at ports occupied by the Federals, Mr. Seward thought it well to notify the French and English Legations beforehand, and invite them to give him their views. After he had consulted Lord Lyons and myself, we told the Secretary of State that we did not mean to compromise our respective governments by any word of ours, on this purely military measure; but we asked him what, if his project were executed, would become of such staples as might belong to neutrals. He answered that such property would be respected; only, that their proprietors would have it in their power to export them at the same time and in the same way as those belonging to Americans, that had been seized by the Federal forces. I then asked him if he was not afraid that the probable result of the project in question would be the burning of all the staples that he proposed to seize. He answered that he had no uneasiness on that score."

George Campbell, S. R. Mount, and Voley Purcell were a few days since arrested at Leeburg and committed to prison in Washington, charged with aiding the Confederates materially in various ways. It is understood the last two named are to be held as hostages for Mr. Davis, a Union resident of Snickersville.

The Newark Daily Advertiser of Friday last says:—"From Hilton Head we learn that enlistments in the negro brigade have fallen off materially, and that General Hunter has issued an order requiring all the adult negroes in his department, capable of bearing arms, to be at once drafted into the military service. The draft is to be made at an early day."

The Richmond Enquirer and the Raleigh, N. C. Standard are having a high quarrel, in consequence of some remarks of the former about the course of North Carolina.

Recruiting is going on vigorously in Georgia, and the Richmond papers call for carrying out of the Conscription law throughout the Southern States.

A resolution of inquiry has been introduced into the Confederate House of Representatives as to selling all negroes who may be captured, while bearing arms in the service of the United States.

LIBERTY HALL.—To-night a new bill will be presented, embracing the entire strength of the great Canterbury company. For real genuine fun, the company performing at Old Liberty are not to be surpassed, and, as a consequence, the hall is filled nightly.

MARRIED.

In Washington, on Wednesday, the 11th instant, by the Rev. Peter Kroes, Mr. JOSEPH P. ALBRO, of New York, to Miss ANNA MARIA WOOLS, of this place.

Compliment to W. Leon Hammond, M. D., Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. A.—ALEXANDRIA, VA., Feb. 13, 1863.—We, the patients and attendants of Quaker Church, pay the amount subscribed to purchase a Watch and Chain, as a token of our respect for our worthy friend, Dr. W. LEON HAMMOND, and one whom we consider worthy of it in all respect, for his skill in medical attendance, and a soldier's friend.

Jared Vancampen, Sergeant, Co. F, 14th U. S. Infantry	\$2 00
Chas. J. Mellen, Serg't, Co. A, 38th reg't N. Y. Vol.	3 00
A. W. Smith, Serg't, Co. B, 38th reg't N. Y. Vol.	3 00
John Hughes, Serg't, Co. D, 38th reg't N. Y. Vol.	3 00
Chas. Briney, Serg't, Co. A, 38th reg't N. Y. Vol.	3 00
D. Acker, Serg't, Co. A, 38th reg't N. Y. Vol.	3 00
Thomas Donlon, Co. H, 38th reg't N. Y. Vol.	1 00
Joseph McFarland, Co. F, 10th reg't N. Y. Vol.	2 00
Rudolph Hanes, Co. A, 45th reg't Penn. Vol.	2 00
Frank Clark, Co. I, 2d reg't N. Y. M.	2 00
Joseph Bailey, Co. C, 17th reg't Michigan Vol.	2 00
Wm. Odell, Co. D, 57th reg't Penn. Vol.	1 00
Jerome Jolls, Co. A, 64th reg't N. Y. Vol.	1 00
James Hunt, Co. E, 7th reg't Penn. Vol.	2 00
Albert McFarland, Co. B, 16th reg't Maine Vol.	1 00
Richard Eckfeldt, Co. D, 99th reg't Penn. Vol.	2 00
Warren Bickford, Co. F, 18th Maine Vol.	2 00
Alex. Debeun, Co. D, 5th reg't Michigan Vol.	2 00
Wm. Tracy, Co. C, 5th reg't Michigan Vol.	3 00
John Keefer, Co. A, 14th U. S. Infantry	2 00
Louis Keon, Co. C, 5th reg't Michigan Vol.	1 00
Levi McFadden, Co. I, 5th reg't Penn. Vol.	1 00
Wm. Brady, Co. A, 29th reg't Penn. Vol.	1 00
O Shea Burrell, Co. G, 20th reg't Maine Vol.	1 00
Alex. Hall, Co. I, 21st reg't N. J. Vol.	1 00
James Louis, Co. D, 12th reg't Mass. Vol.	1 00
Samuel Vanhoran, Co. C, 1st N. J. Battery	1 00
J. M. Robinson, Co. G, 5th U. S. Cavalry	1 00
Isaac French, Co. H, 26th reg't N. Y. Vol.	1 00
Wm. H. Harmon, Co. H, 10th reg't Maine Vol.	1 00
Frank H. Johnston, Co. G, 63d reg't Penn. Vol.	3 00

DEAR BOYS: This is the third occasion on which the sick and wounded soldiers of the U. S. army having joined in union to compliment their surgeon, although humble be his rank.

I shall not, and in fact I cannot, as a foreigner, attempt to give you a long speech. I may not be competent to respond to your kind attention and noble sympathy, but I shall avail myself of this opportunity to thank you heartily for your generous and cordial support, and I hope to survive in your memory with love and honor.

Remember, then, dear soldiers, that if there exists a class of men whose obligation or ambition was to carry on the destruction of your lives, there is also another class of men whose noble aspiration is to save your lives. To this class I am proud to belong, and as some of you may yet return to the field of battle, be pleased to remember me in your sufferings and in the hour of need.

With many thanks for your kind attention and sympathy, and my hearty wishes for your success and future welfare, I very respectfully take my leave.

W. LEON HAMMOND, M. D.,
Act. Ass't. Surgeon U. S. A.

50 BBLs. superior JERSEY CIDER, just received and for sale by

F. G. SWAINE & CO.,
No. 26 South Royal street.

FOR RENT.—SINGLE ROOMS, for gentlemen, in a central locality. Apply at the bathing establishment, opposite the Marshall House.

NIXON'S HIPPODRAMATIC TEMPLE OF AMUSEMENT,
King Street, Opposite the Alexandria Gazette Office.

BRILLIANT NOVELTY THIS WEEK.

To-night, and each evening during the week, will be produced, for the first time, with new costumes, new armor, helmets, banners, appointments and paraphernalia, the grand equestro-dramatic spectacle of

MAZEPPA;

OR, THE WILD HORSE OF TARTARY.

For cast of characters, see bills of the day.
SCENES.—The Tournament; Tilting; Ancient Sports and Pastimes, Broadsword Combats, and a terrific ascent over precipices of Mazeppa, lashed to the fiery and untamed steed.

HAPPY DENOUEMENT!

Previous to the piece, a brilliant array of
NEW SCENES OF THE ARENA!
in which all this STAR COMPANY of
MALE AND FEMALE ARTISTES
perform, assisted by the
TWO BEST CLOWNS IN AMERICA!

A Palco, or large Private Box, has been fitted up for family parties, where arm chairs can be secured for 25 cents extra.

To Dress Circle, 50 cents; Social Range, 25 cents.

Doors open at 1 to 2 and 1 to 7 o'clock; performance will commence at 3 and 7 1/2 o'clock.
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LIBERTY HALL,
CAMERON STREET, NEAR ROYAL.

A SPLENDID PERFORMANCE

by the

GREAT CANTERBURY COMPANY,
EVERY NIGHT.

THE LARGEST AND BEST TROUPE
IN THE CITY.

ADMISSION.—Parquette, 25 cents; Orchestra, 50 cents. Doors open at 6 1/2; performances commence at 4 to 8.
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SINN & HESS, Proprietors.

PROVOST MARSHAL'S OFFICE,
ALEXANDRIA, VA., Feb. 3, 1863.
NOTICE is hereby given that the order heretofore issued, prohibiting the sale or gift of spirituous, malt liquors or wines, will be rigidly enforced.

All places of business will be closed at half past nine o'clock, p. m. All congregations on corners will be dispersed, and no person will be allowed on the streets after the hour of half-past ten o'clock, p. m.

By order: H. H. WELLS,
Lieut. Colonel and Provost Marshal.
Feb 3—1m

FRESH GROCERIES.—Just received, a fine assortment of fresh groceries. Also, prime Maryland Hams.
L. N. HOWARD,
Feb 7 179 King street

COAL FOR SALE—YARD 33 KING ST.
—Now landing, from schooner W. Salisbury, a superior article of Schuylkill White and Red Ash Coal.

White Ash from the Broad Mountain, and Red Ash from the Spoton and Lewis veins.
Feb 11—1w* JNO. LEATHERLAND.

* THOS. SINCLAIR,
HOUSE CARPENTER,
NO. 15 WATER STREET,
(Between King and Prince streets.)
A LARGE SUPPLY of excellent LUMBER, of all descriptions, on hand, and work done on reasonable terms and in the best style.
Feb work solicited. Feb 11—1w

NOTICE.—The subscribers, holders of more than one-tenth of the capital stock of the Alexandria, Mount Vernon and Accotink Turnpike Company, give notice that a general meeting of the stockholders of said company is hereby called, for election of officers, to be held on the 12th day of March, 1863, at the City Hotel, Alexandria, Va.

J. & J. H. TUTHILL & CO.
Feb 7—1awlm*